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### **Project Purpose:**

This project will provide an improved primary east-west route from San Luis Obispo County Line to Keck's Road in Kern County. Motorist will benefit from safety improvement, local residence will experience traffic congestion relief, and the movement of services and good will greatly improve through highway capacity, and continuity improvements.

### **Project Description:**

This project will convert State Route 46 from a two-lane highway to a four-lane expressway from the San Luis Obispo County Line to Keck's Road in Kern County. The length of the project is approximately 7.3 miles. State Route 46 at this time is a 24 foot two-lane conventional highway with no median. This project proposes to widen the roadway to a minimum 40-foot section on a four-lane expressway, add a median, and provide a two-lane highway through the community of Los Hills.

### **Timeliness/Schedules:**

Anticipated Construction to Begin: Summer 2006

Anticipated Construction Completion: Fall 2007

**Construction Cost:** \$47.5 million ( \$5.7 million in TCRP Funds)

### **Funding Sources:**

Regional Improvement Program (RIP)  
Interregional Improvement Program (IIP)  
Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP)

### **Agency Responsibilities:**

Caltrans: Design, Planning, Right of Way acquisition and Construction Management.

**Project Map on Reverse**

